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In re application of

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A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR REPRODUCING BITSTREAM HAVING NON-SEQUENTIAL SYSTEM CLOCK DATA SEAMLESSLY THEREBETWEEN (Rule 1.53(b) Divisional of Serial No. 10/335,885, Filed January 3, 2003)

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Sir:

Applicants in the above-entitled application hereby claim the date of priority under the International Convention of Japanese Patent Application No. 7-276710, filed September 29, 1995, and Japanese Patent Application No. 8-41583, filed February 28, 1996, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

Certified copies of said Japanese Patent Applications are of record in parent application Serial No. 08/721,736, filed September 27, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,923,869 which is the parent application of Serial No. 09/195,998, filed November 20, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,393,574 which is the parent application of Serial No. 09/932,983, filed August 21, 2001, which is the parent application of Serial No. 10/335,885, filed January 3, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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